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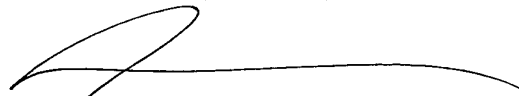
Applicants have amended page 1 of their specification of the above-identified application to identify a prior application, Application No. 09/965,220, being relied upon under 35 USC §120 in the above-identified application, and to incorporate the subject matter thereof by reference in its entirety, in the above-identified application. Noting that the Declaration under 37 CFR § 1.63 being submitted in the above-identified application is a copy of the Declaration under 37 CFR § 1.63 originally filed in No. 09/965,220, it is respectfully submitted that the present amendments to the specification do not add new matter to the application.

Entry of the present amendments, and, subsequent thereof, examination of the above-identified application on the merits in due course, are respectfully requested.

Please charge any shortage in fees due in connection with the filing of this paper, including extension of time fees, to the Deposit Account No. 01-2135 (Case No. 501.40678CX1), and please credit any excess fees to such Deposit Account.

Respectfully submitted,

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